23. (Amended) A method of placing a trade order according to claim 22, wherein said trade order is a buy order if the position of the pointer at the time of said single action is within a bid display region and wherein said trade order is a sell order if the position of the pointer at the time of said single action is within an ask display region.

30. (Amended) A computer readable medium having program code recorded thereon, for execution on a computer to place a trade order according to claim 29, further comprising program code for establishing that said trade order is a buy order if the position of the pointer at the time of said single action is within a bid display region and that said trade order is a sell order if the position of the pointer at the time of said single action is within an ask display region.

36. (Amended) A client system for placing a trade order for a commodity according to claim 35, wherein said trade order characteristics setting component establishes that said trade order is a buy order if the position of the pointer at the time of said single action is within a bid display region and that said trade order is a sell order if the position of the pointer at the time of said single action is within an ask display region.

Please add the following new claims:

41. (New) A method according to claim 22, wherein said displaying the market depth of a commodity traded in a market further comprises displaying said bids and asks in a vertical orientation.

42. (New) A method according to claim 22, wherein said displaying the market depth of a commodity traded in a market further comprises displaying said bids and asks in a horizontal orientation.

43. (New) A method according to claim 22, wherein a plurality of said displayed bids and asks in the market include bid and ask quantities of the commodity.

44. (New) A method according to claim 22, wherein said displaying the market depth of a commodity traded in a market further comprises displaying said bids and asks in different colors.

45. (New) A method according to claim 22, further comprising re-centering said prices corresponding to the bids and asks about an inside market price upon receipt of a re-centering instruction.

46. (New) A method according to claim 22, further comprising dynamically displaying working orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto.

47. (New) A method of displaying according to claim 22, further comprising dynamically displaying entered orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto, wherein said entered orders indicate a quantity of said commodity for which a trader's orders have been filled at said corresponding prices.

48. (New) A method according to claim 22, wherein said displaying the market depth of a commodity traded in a market further comprises displaying said statically displayed prices in at least one direction in numerical order.

49. (New) A method according to claim 22, wherein said displaying the market depth of a commodity traded in a market further comprises displaying said statically displayed prices along a single line in numerical order.

50. (New) A method of displaying according to claim 22, wherein said displaying the market depth of a commodity traded in a market further comprises dynamically displaying a last traded quantity for said commodity in alignment with the price corresponding thereto.

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81. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code to ensure that said displayed bids, asks and prices are oriented vertically.

82. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code to ensure that said displayed bids, asks and prices are oriented horizontally.

83. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code to ensure that a plurality of bids and asks in the market include bid and ask quantities of the commodity.

84. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code to ensure that bids and asks are displayed in different colors.

85. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code to ensure that said displayed prices corresponding to the bids and asks are re-centered about an inside market price upon receipt of a re-centering instruction.

86. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code for dynamically displaying working orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto.

87. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code for dynamically displaying entered orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto, wherein said entered orders indicate a quantity of said commodity for which a trader's orders have been filled at said corresponding prices.

58. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code to ensure that said statically displayed prices are displayed in at least one direction in numerical order.

59. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code to ensure that said statically displayed prices are displayed along a single line in numerical order.

60. (New) A computer readable medium according to claim 29, further comprising program code for dynamically displaying a last traded quantity for said commodity in alignment with the price corresponding thereto.

61. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said displays are oriented vertically.

62. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said displays are oriented horizontally.

63. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said displays of the pluralities of bids and asks in the market include bid and ask quantities of the commodity.

64. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said displays are displayed in different colors.

65. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said display of prices corresponding to the bids and asks is re-centered about an inside market price upon re-centering instruction from a user.

66. (New) A client system according to claim 35, further comprising a display of working orders displayed in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto.

67. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said display device displays entered orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto and wherein said entered orders indicate a quantity of said commodity for which a trader's orders have been filled at said corresponding prices.

68. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said static display of prices is displayed in at least one direction in numerical order.

69. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said static display of prices is displayed along a single line in numerical order.

70. (New) A client system according to claim 35, wherein said display device displays a last traded quantity for said commodity in alignment with the price corresponding thereto.

71. (New) A method of placing a trade order for a commodity on an electronic exchange, using a graphical user interface and a user input device and having preset parameters for trade orders, said method comprising:

statically displaying a plurality of prices for the commodity in at least one direction in numerical order;

providing a bid display region and an ask display region substantially adjacent to said display of prices, wherein a bid or an ask in the market for the commodity may be displayed dynamically and in alignment with a price corresponding thereto;

initiating placement of a trade order of the commodity through a single action of the user input device with a pointer of the user input device positioned within one of said display regions;

wherein the contents of the trade order are based in part upon the preset parameters and the position of the pointer at the time of said single action.

72. (New) A method according to claim 71, further comprising re-centering said prices corresponding to the bids and asks about an inside market price upon receipt of a re-centering instruction.

73.    (New) A method according to claim 71, further comprising dynamically displaying working orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto.

74.    (New) A method of displaying according to claim 71, further comprising dynamically displaying entered orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto, wherein said entered orders indicate a quantity of said commodity for which a trader's orders have been filled at said corresponding prices.

75.    (New) A method according to claim 71, wherein said displaying the market depth of a commodity traded in a market further comprises displaying said statically displayed prices along a single line in numerical order.

76.    (New) A method of displaying according to claim 71, wherein said displaying the market depth of a commodity traded in a market further comprises dynamically displaying a last traded quantity for said commodity in alignment with the price corresponding thereto.

77.    (New) A program product having computer readable program code, for execution on a computer having a graphical user interface and a user input device and having preset parameters for trade orders, to place a trade order for a commodity on an electronic exchange, the program code for causing a machine to perform the following method steps:

    displaying a plurality of prices for the commodity in at least one direction in numerical order;

    providing a bid display region and an ask display region substantially adjacent to said display of prices, wherein a bid or an ask in the market for the commodity may be displayed dynamically and in alignment with a price corresponding thereto;

    initiating placement of a trade order of the commodity through a single action of the user input device with a pointer of the user input device positioned within one of said display regions;

setting characteristics of the trade order based in part upon the preset parameters and the position of the pointer at the time of said single action.

78.  (New) A program product according to claim 77, further comprising program code to ensure that said displayed prices corresponding to the bids and asks are re-centered about an inside market price upon receipt of a re-centering instruction.

79.  (New) A program product according to claim 77, further comprising program code for dynamically displaying working orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto.

80.  (New) A program product according to claim 77, further comprising program code for dynamically displaying entered orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto, wherein said entered orders indicate a quantity of said commodity for which a trader's orders have been filled at said corresponding prices.

81.  (New) A program product according to claim 77, further comprising program code to ensure that said statically displayed prices are displayed along a single line in numerical order.

82.  (New) A program product according to claim 77, further comprising program code for dynamically displaying a last traded quantity for said commodity in alignment with the price corresponding thereto.

83.  (New) A client system for placing a trade order for a commodity on an electronic exchange, the system comprising:

a display device for statically displaying a plurality of prices for the commodity in at least one direction in numerical order and for providing a bid display region and an ask display region substantially adjacent to said display of

prices, wherein a bid or an ask in the market for the commodity may be displayed dynamically and in alignment with a price corresponding thereto;

a user input device for positioning a pointer thereof over an area within one of said display regions and for initiating placement of a trade order of the commodity through a single action of the user input device;

a trade order characteristic setting component for setting characteristics of the trade order based in part upon the preset parameters and the position of the pointer at the time of said single action.

84.    (New) A client system according to claim 83, wherein said display of prices corresponding to the bids and asks is re-centered about an inside market price upon receiving a re-centering instruction from a user.

85.    (New) A client system according to claim 83, further comprising a display of working orders displayed in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto.

86.    (New) A client system according to claim 83, wherein said display device displays entered orders in alignment with the prices corresponding thereto and wherein said entered orders indicate a quantity of said commodity for which a trader's orders have been filled at said corresponding prices.

87.    (New) A client system according to claim 83, wherein said static display of prices is displayed along a single line in numerical order.

88.    (New) A client system according to claim 83, wherein said display device displays a last traded quantity for said commodity in alignment with the price corresponding thereto.